GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA

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HANDICAPPED CHILDREN
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the facilities being provided to fully and partially handicapped children in rural and urban areas;

(b) whether there are any special institutions established in these areas which are improving the condition of such children; and

(c) if so, whether any guidelines have been issued in this regard to ensure effective functioning of such institutions?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA)

(a) to (c) Children with disabilities are provided aids and appliances, free education, vocational training, rehabilitation services, etc. through a network of institutions. Six apex level National Institutions have been set up in each major area ofdisability. Besides, 5 Composite Rehabilitation Centres, 4 RegionalRehabilitation Centres and 70 District Disability Rehabilitation Centres have beenset up. The Ministry also supports over 640 voluntary organizations providing rehabilitation services. The working of al these institutions is reviewed by the Ministry periodically to ensure their effective functioning.